

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Katsushi Horihata  
Appl. No. : --  
Filed : Concurrently herewith  
For : WIDE AREA NETWORK PRINTING SYSTEM, DOCUMENT SERVER, CONTENTS SERVER, AND IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS

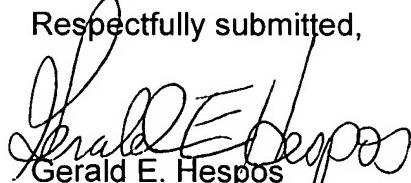
MS Patent Application  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Sir:

This Information Disclosure Statement includes a copy of Form PTO-1449 that identifies one Japanese reference. A copy of the Japanese reference is attached as well. The relevancy of this reference is described on pages 1 and 2 of the application. The Examiner is requested to consider this reference during the examination and to make the reference of record.

Respectfully submitted,



Gerald E. Hespos

Atty. Reg. No. 30,066  
Customer No. 001218  
CASELLA & HESPOS LLP  
274 Madison Avenue - Suite 1703  
New York, NY 10016  
Tel. (212) 725-2450  
Fax (212) 725-2452

Date: February 17, 2004

**EXAMINER:** Initial if citation considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP Section 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.